## SENATE BILL 2659

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 49 and Title 56, relative to public school personnel.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-1-201, is amended by adding the following new subdivision at the end of subsection (c):

( ) Purchase a uniform liability policy for the benefit of all professional employees as defined in § 49-5-602. The acquisition of such policy shall be based upon a procedure requiring the submission and review of competitive proposals and must be approved by the commissioner of finance and administration before it is effective. Such liability insurance coverage, at a minimum, shall cover errors and omissions insurance, attorney fee reimbursement in criminal and civil cases, bail bond coverage, assault-related personal property damage and employment rights insurance coverage to cover a professional's rights having to do with the job which are illegally violated. Nothing in this subdivision shall prohibit local school systems from purchasing any other insurance in addition or supplemental to the insurance purchased herein.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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